

## Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development

**BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS** 

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## **Attention Sedation and General Anesthesia Permit Holders:**

On-Site inspections of your Sedation and Anesthesia facilities are due starting in August!

**12 AAC 28.068. ON-SITE INSPECTIONS.** (a) A licensed dentist who holds a permit for deep sedation or general anesthesia under 12 AAC 28.010, or holds a permit for moderate sedation or minimal sedation for patients younger than 13 years of age under 12 AAC 28.015, must obtain at least once every four years an on-site inspection where sedation or anesthesia is provided.

## Depending on when you obtained your permit:

For anesthesia or sedation permits issued before August 8, 2020, an on-site inspection required under this section must be completed before the end of the first full licensing period after August 8, 2020. **By February 28, 2023.** [12 AAC 28.068 (c)]

For initial anesthesia or sedation permits issued on or after August 8, 2020, an on-site inspection must be completed not later than two years after issuance. **From August 8, 2022 onwards.** [12 AAC 28.068 (d)]

To prevent a delay in the renewal of your permit, please schedule your inspection with one of the following Board-approved organizations [12 AAC 28.068 (b)]:

- (1) the Accreditation Association for Dental Offices (AAFDO); https://www.aafdo.com/emergency-readiness-inspection
- (2) the American Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons (AAOMS); https://www.aaoms.org/practice-resources/anesthesia/anesthesia-resources/office-anesthesia-evaluation-manual-sample-forms
- (3) the American Association for Accreditation of Ambulatory Surgery Facilities (AAAASF); https://www.aaaasf.org/programs/outpatient-programs/outpatient-pediatric-dentistry?hsLang=en
- (4) the Accreditation Association for Ambulatory Health Care (AAAHC); or <a href="https://www.aaahc.org/accelerated-readiness/achieving-accreditation/">https://www.aaahc.org/accelerated-readiness/achieving-accreditation/</a>
- (5) other substantially equivalent organizations approved by the board that conduct inspections in accordance with applicable guidelines provided in the *Office Anesthesia Evaluation Manual*, Ninth Edition, 2019, adopted by reference.

Sincerely,

The Alaska Board of Dental Examiners